Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the title as follows:

~~PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF OPTICALLY ACTIVE ALCOHOLS~~

PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OPTICALLY ACTIVE ALCOHOL

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 29, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

An example of synthesizing optically active 2-chloro-1-phenylethanol by hydrogenation of α-chloroacetophenone is described below. Reaction was conducted under the same conditions as those of EXAMPLE 32 except that ~~ruthenium complex~~ rhodium complex CpRhCl[(S,S)-Tsdpen] (Cp: pentamethylcyclopentadiene) was used as a catalyst and the reaction was conducted for 11 hours. As a result, (R)-2-chloro-1-phenylethanol was obtained in 93% ee and 44% yield. Note that in the nomenclature of this ~~ruthenium complex~~rhodium complex, the cyclopentadiene ligand, the metal atom, the anionic group, and the diamine ligand are presented in this order from the left (see formula (5) below):

Formula (5)